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REMARKS

Claims 1-8 and 11-20 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being obvious in view of Chen. Claims 1-10 and 15-20 have been canceled without prejudice. Claims 9 and 10 were each objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim. Claims 21 and 22 have been newly added by amendment.

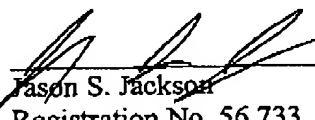
The Applicant appreciates the indication of allowable subject matter and accordingly has added claims 21 and 22 by amendment. Claim 21 represents canceled claim 9 rewritten into independent form and claim 22 represents canceled claim 10 rewritten into independent form. Thus, the Applicant respectfully asserts that claims 21 and 22 are allowable.

Claim 11 has been amended to depend from claim 22 and claims 12-14 have been amended to depend from claim 21. Thus, the Applicant respectfully asserts that claims 11-14 are allowable for at least the reason that each depends from an allowable claim.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-0629.

Respectfully Submitted,

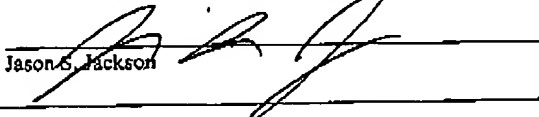
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